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Subject: FW: RTOC Region 10: March Agenda and Attachments
Attachments: Conference Call ; Consultation Letter Grantsgov FINAL.pdf; Electronic Applications.pdf; EPA Tribal Performance Measures Stefan version.docx; RTOC 2014JAN MINUTES (DRAFT).docx; RTOC DEC2013 MINUTES.docx; RTOCFEB2014 MINUTES.docx; March CC Agenda DFT.pdf

Hello David and Linda,

In preparation for the 3/20 RTOC Teleconference, below are suggested talking points for the EPA Update. I've also included the suggested talking points that were provided for the Feb RTOC Teleconference for reference.

Please let me know if you need any additional information. Thanks!

JR

March 2014 EPA Update (12:50-1:00 PM)

- Bristol Bay Update: EPA is initiating a process under the Clean Water Act Section 404(c) to identify appropriate options to protect the worlds largest sockeye salmon fishery in Bristol Bay, Alaska from the potentially destructive impacts of the proposed Pebble Mine. The Pebble Mine has the potential to be one of the largest open pit copper mines ever developed and could threaten a salmon resource rare in its quality and productivity. During this process, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers cannot approve a permit for the mine. This action, requested by EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, reflects the unique nature of the Bristol Bay watershed as one of the worlds last prolific wild salmon resources and the threat posed by the Pebble deposit, a mine unprecedented in scope and scale. It does not reflect an EPA policy change in mine permitting. Sheila Eckman, EPAs Project Lead, will provide a brief update on this process during this call.

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- R10 Tribal Consultation Projections and Updates: EPAs *Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes* directs each national and regional office to prepare a semi-annual projection of upcoming tribal consultation opportunities on October 1 and April 1 of each year. These semi-annual projections provide tribes and other interested parties with an early notice about EPA intentions to consult on specific issues that may be of interest to tribal governments, and create an opportunity within the Agency to effectively coordinate consultation efforts across EPA. TTAU is working with the R10 Tribal Specialists to collect R10s tribal consultation projection information to meet the upcoming April 1st deadline. At the same time, TTAU will be updating existing R10 tribal consultation records that are in EPAs Tribal Consultation Tracking System (TCOTS).
- EPA Attendance at the RTOC April Meeting: David, Linda, Jim, Sally, and JR are confirmed. The RA and DRA are pending at this time.
- Upcoming April NTOC Meeting: The next NTOC meeting is scheduled for 4/1-4/2/14. R10 is providing a VTC connection to the NTOC meeting in DC so that R10 NTOC Members and the RTOC Co-Chair can participate without traveling so far.
- AOO Deputy Director: Tami Fordham was selected as the new AOO Deputy Director! Having a Deputy in AOO with Tamis deep understanding of ETPAs programs (tribal, EJ, resource extraction, etc.) will be a boon to ETPAs work in the long term. Please join us in congratulating Tami on this new leadership role.
(The workload that Tami carried within the TTAU will be temporarily re-distributed among current staff.)

February 2014 EPA Update (12:50-1:00 PM)

- **R10 Tribal Hot Topics:** Emailed to the RTOC earlier this month. Could bring up specific topics and/or respond to questions from the RTOC.
- **FY14 GAP Funding Update:** *(The following information is from Luke Jones email that he sent on 2/5/14)* Using the total GAP dollars from EPAs Op Plan as submitted to OMB, below is how the allocation would work out. There is a possibility that these numbers could change slightly, depending on what we receive back from OMB. In the mean time, please use the numbers below for planning purposes.

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- R10 Tribal Coordinators Grant Re-Assignments: Diana Boquist plans on retiring from EPA *sometime* during March. In preparation for this transition, the Tribal Trust and Assistance Unit has reassigned Dianas grants to existing R10 Tribal Coordinators. Many of these grants have already been reassigned and Diana has been working on making sure that this transition remains unproblematic. Dianas excellent work will be missed!
- IGAP - UPDATE ON TWO YEAR EXCEPTION REQUEST FOR TRASH COLLECTION, BACKHAUL SERVICES: While discussions with AIEO continue on a potential statewide exception, TTAU has begun work on an exception request template that meets new GAP Guidance requirements and that individual tribes can customize to fit their needs. Since exceptions will be granted on a onetime basis for the FY15 FY16 time period, work on the exception template has been fast tracked and tribes seeking exceptions will need to submit them to AIEO for review/approval as soon as possible. Contact: Sally Thomas, 3-2102

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- Next NTOC meeting is tentatively scheduled for the end of March, and RTOC priorities and budget proposals will likely be included on the agenda.
- Suggestion: Enquire about interest in the formulation of a small workgroup tasked to come up with a proposal regarding how the RTOC could/should include long-term updates in our on-going and regular discussions/meetings. The topics that seemed to rise to the top during our January meeting include: Water Quality Standards and tribal fish consumption rates, Climate Change, ETEPs, and solid waste in AK.

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Subject: RTOC Region 10: March Agenda and Attachments

Hello RTOC,

Attached you will find a copy of the Agenda and Documents for review.

Our March Monthly Meeting is happy to welcome the following special speakers:

Fran Stefan EPA: Tribal Solid Waste Performance Measures

Howard Corcoran EPA: Electronic Submission of Grant Applications

Shelia Eckman EPA: Update on Bristol Bay

Juliann Barta US EPA Region 10: Proposed Agricultural Worker Protection Standard (WPS).

Region 10 Tribal Operations Committee

Monthly Conference Call

Thursday March 20, 2014

12:00 pm (AK)

1:00 pm (PST)

2:00 pm (MTN)

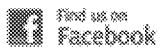
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Please contact me with any questions we look forward to hearing from each and every one on our next call.

Thank you,

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